GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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VISIT OF US ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US Assistant Secretary of State visited New Delhi recently;

(b) if so, the issues discussed; and

(c) the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)
(a) United States Assistant Secretary of State for South Asia Ms. Christina Rocca visited New Delhi from 9-11 April, 2002. The visit was part of periodic consultations between the foreign offices of the two countries.

(b)&(c) During the visit, the two sides undertook a review of the status of bilateral cooperation including in the areas of counter-terrorism, security, defence, export controls, investment and trade, including high technology commerce, and energy and environment. The discussions furthered the growing India-U.S. engagement on a broad range of issues of mutual interest.The two sides also agreed to establish a dialogue on political-military affairs.